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                      IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
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                    FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA
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   CITY OF GRASS VALLEY,
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                                             02:04-cv-149-GEB-DAD
                        Plaintiff,
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                                             ORDER*
              v.
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   NEWMONT MINING CORPORATION, a
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   corporation; NEWMONT USA LIMITED,
   a corporation; NEWMONT NORTH
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   AMERICA EXPLORATION LIMITED, a
   corporation; NEWMONT GOLD COMPANY,
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   a corporation; NEWMONT NORTH
   AMERICA LIMITED, a corporation;
   NEWMONT EXPLORATION LIMITED, a
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   corporation,
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                        Defendants.
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              On November 21, 2005, Lori J. Gualco ("Counsel") filed a
   motion to withdraw as attorney of record for Plaintiff City of Grass
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           (Notice of Mot. and Mot. to Withdraw As Counsel of Record at
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   2.) Counsel states she has "communicated her need to withdraw as
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   counsel of record with her client, Plaintiff City of Grass Valley,"
   and "Plaintiff has informed her it will not oppose the motion." (Id.
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   at 3.) Counsel also states that Plaintiff "has selected the firm of
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   its City attorney, Meyers Nave, to represent it in this action and
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<sup>\*</sup> This motion was determined to be suitable for decision without oral argument. L.R.  $78-230\,(h)$ .

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Kent L. Alm of that firm will be the principal attorney in this matter." (Id.) On December 1, 2005, Counsel filed a Supplemental Declaration in support of her motion, along with an exhibit requesting substitution of attorneys executed by Counsel, Kenton L. Alm of Meyers Nave Riback Silver & Wilson, and Gene Haroldsen, City Administrator of Grass Valley. (Gualco Supplemental Decl. Ex. A.)

The request to substitute Kenton L. Alm as counsel for Plaintiff is granted; therefore, Ms. Gualco's motion to withdraw is also granted. The Clerk of the Court is directed to substitute Kenton L. Alm of Meyers Nave Riback Silver & Wilson, who is located at 555 12th Street, Suite 1500, Oakland, California 94607, as counsel for Plaintiff. In addition, the Clerk of the Court is directed to serve a copy of this Order on Lori J. Gualco.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

DATED: December 5, 2005

/s/ Garland E. Burrell, Jr. GARLAND E. BURRELL, JR. United States District Judge